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When Lange made his request for information concerning duration of USAF search operation as reported EMBTEL 23 he gave me following background: On basis information available to Norwegians missing RB 47 probably damaged by Soviets over international waters late afternoon or evening July 1. Continuing flights of so many US planes from Norwegian airfields into same general area where plane lost gave rise to serious Norwegian concern over possibility additional incidents. According Norwegian experts maximum time person could survive in life raft or dinghy in those waters would be 60 hours and as over 100 hours had elapsed Foreign Minister inquired how much longer USAF planned to continue search.

It was above background Lange said which prompted inquiry as to duration of search. He also requested utmost protection and no dissemination of any information received from Norwegians about missing RB 47.

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